

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3460**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**

An Act to enhance public safety and security in certain public housing developments..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. In recognition of the need for improved public safety policing programs in  
2 public housing communities of the City of Boston and other cities of the Commonwealth,  
3 Section 3 of Chapter 23B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition, is  
4 hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (v) the following new paragraph:-

5 “(w) implement community-based policing programs as an adjunct to or to be provided in  
6 connection with community-based drug elimination, crime prevention, security and similar  
7 programs. Such programs may include, without limitation, security, crime and drug prevention,  
8 drug elimination and education, youth-oriented programs, neighborhood crime watch, and the  
9 acquisition of equipment in aid of law enforcement. Notwithstanding any general or special law  
10 to the contrary, there is hereby annually appropriated an amount in the aggregate not less than  
11 \$11,000,000 which, after fiscal year 2010, shall be adjusted each July 1 by the growth rate of the  
12 inflation index over the preceding 12 months; provided, that, after said fiscal year, in no case  
13 shall said assessment exceed 102.5 per cent of the previous year's assessment and which shall be  
14 expended for said programs.”